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 Patent No. 7,191,584 )  
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 For WALK REEL MOWER )  
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REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

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**Certificate**

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**of Correction**

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.322 and/or 1.323, The Toro Company, the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-identified United States Letters Patent, hereby requests that the attached Certificate of Correction be issued relating to this Patent.

The Certificate of Correction corrects two errors in claim 8 of the patent.

The first error is the inclusion of an extraneous comma in limitation (a) of claim 8. As printed, the patent reads "(a) a reel, mower frame..." when it should have read simply "(a) a reel mower frame..." **without the comma**. This corrects an obvious typographical error in the claim.

The second error is the reference in limitation (e) of claim 8 to "the reel cutting unit frame". Specifically, **there is no antecedent basis for the word "frame" in this clause**. Claim 8 had previously recited "a reel cutting unit" but

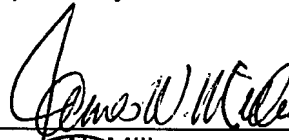
had not previously recited that the reel cutting unit had a frame or "a reel cutting unit frame". In addition, claim 8 later recites at two places "the reel cutting unit" without mentioning or including the word "frame". There is antecedent basis in claim 8 for the phrase "the reel cutting unit" since claim 8 had earlier recited "a reel cutting unit". There is no antecedent basis in claim 8 for the phrase "the reel cutting unit frame" since claim 8 had not earlier recited "a reel cutting unit frame" or the like.

It is clear that the word "frame" used in conjunction with "the reel cutting unit" is incorrect in claim 8 as there is no antecedent basis for the recitation of "the reel cutting unit frame". The word "frame" clearly should be "deleted" as there would be proper antecedent basis for the resulting phrase "the reel cutting unit" and claim 8, in fact, later uses the latter phraseology at two spots in limitation (e) in describing "the reel cutting unit". The requested Certificate of Correction makes this change.

Accordingly, the attached Certificate of Correction should be issued by the Patent and Trademark Office. Please charge the fees that are due for such Certificate of Correction to Deposit Account No. 20-1315 of The Toro Company.

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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Col. 22, Line 12, change "(a) a reel, mower frame" to --(a) a reel mower frame--;

Col. 22, Line 28, change "a reel cutting unit frame" to --a reel cutting unit--.

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